(c) No, Sir.

(d) No, Sir. The mode of payment was decided by draw of lots and 50 per cent allotments were made on hire purchase basis and 50 per cent on cash down basis

Conditions for issue of Caste Certificates to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes

3810. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the conditions for issue caste certificates to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(b) whether the Government of Maharashtra have asked the Central Government to modify these conditions; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and action taken by Government in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) The conditions laid down for the issue of community certificates to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes are given in the statement (*See* below)

(b) and (c) It would be risky to issue caste/tribe certificate to the migrants merely on the basis of affidavits in support of their claims, as suggested by the Maharashtra Government instead of following the existing procedure of issuing such certificates, i e after proper verification through the State of origin

Statement

1 *General* (Applicable in all cases)

Where a person claims to belong to a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe by birth it should be verified:—

(i) that the person and his parents actually belong to the community claimed;

(ii) that this community is included in the Presidential Orders specifying the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in relation to the concerned State

(iii) that the person belongs to that State and to the area within that State in respect of which the community has been scheduled;

(iv) if the person claims to be a Scheduled Castes, he should profess either the Hindu or the Sikh religion;

(v) if the person claims to be a Scheduled Tribe, he may profess any religion.

2 *Cases of migration* ....

(i) where a person migrates from the portion of the State in respect of which his community is scheduled to another part of the same State in respect of which his community is not scheduled. he will continue to be deemed to be a member of the Scheduled Caste or the Scheduled Tribe, as the case may be in relation to that State;

(ii) where a person migrates from one State to another, he can claim to belong to a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe only in relation to the State to which he originally belonged and not in respect of the State to which he has migrated.

Trade transactions in Edible Oils

3811 SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had recently decided to restrict the number of trade transactions in edible oils